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Project: Modeling Sensing and Forecasting Ocean Optical Products for Navy Systems: Tactical Ocean Data System (TODS)

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Modeling, Sensing and Forecasting Ocean Optical Products for Navy Systems- TODS



Summary of Capabilities, Accomplishments and Plans

Summarize FY14-15 Delivered Capability

- Provides naval operations with a 2D/3D real time and forecast optical characterization capability of the battlespace by fusing gliders, satellites and ocean models
- Warfighter nowcast/forecast performance surfaces to support laser and camera imaging systems (AN/AQS, bathy lidar, AMNS, ALMDS), passive EO sensors, EO bathy systems, and diver operations (visibility/vulnerability)
- Products currently target fleet MIW (HM-14,HM-15)
 Reach Back Cells for mission planning and operations.
 FY14-15

- BioCast enhancements/upgrades (coastal dumerical stability, bathy anomalies, land/water boundary issues, additional

evaluation).
- Bathygen software upgrade (subsampling of GEBCO database

- for memory reduction < 2GB for NAVO virtual system requirement)
- 3DOG upgrades for full end-to-end automation and efficiency
- BioCast v1.0 additional validation during TW2013
- BioCast v1.0 Delivered w/ VTR Q2FY14
- BioCast v1.0 software and Bathygen upgrades and VTR approva
 O4FY14
- BioCast v1.0 OPTEST started Q1FY15 and is ongoing.

<u>Challenges/Delays due to</u>: 1) required software enhancements and improved automation for operational efficiency, 2) additional validation requirements/exercises, 3) delay in BioCast v1.0 VTR

Summarize FY15 Plans

- Complete BioCast v1.0 OPTEST at NAVO including validation of forecast outputs for 2 areas over 3 month period (complete with report by Q3FY15 for final acceptance).
- Continue evaluation of 3D Optical Volume Generator (3DOG) v1.0 during additional exercises (NAVO NP331 Request) and finalize VTR and user's manual if funding permits. (Planned transition of 3DOG v1.0 Q2FY16)
- No additional transitions expected in FY15 due to funding cut (<20% FTE) and loss of recently trained personnel familiar with project/software to other projects/support.
 Funding

(\$K) FY13 FY14 FY15 FY16

TODS 235 215 48 330

Total 235 215 48 330

FY16 1498 submitted to TOC-USW



Modeling, Sensing and Forecasting Ocean Optical Products for Navy Systems- TODS FY14-15 Major Objectives & Milestones



MS Event/Action/Improvement Objective	Completion and/or Delivery Quarter/FY	Description of Capability Completed and/or Delivered
Optical Forecast (BioCast v1.0)	Delivered with software and VTR updates 4QFY14, OPTEST started Q1FY15 (ongoing)	Provides 3D forecasts using homogeneous volume (satellite surface optics extended vertically) w/ output 2D surface coastal optical properties for water clarity, diver visibility/vulnerability and lidar penetration depth
Bathygen v1.0	Upgrade delivered in Q4FY14 - memory issues fixed reading in GEBCO database	Software developed to consistently generate bathymetry from supplied DBDB2 and GEBCO databases to match satellite grid from AOPS for BioCast and 3DOG.
3D Optical Volume Generator v1.0 (3DOG)	Delivery w/VTR Q2FY16 OPTEST to follow	Provides nowcast/forecasts of the 3D optical environment by fusing gliders, satellites and ocean models in support MIW diver and laser imaging operations.
Laser Performance Surfaces	Delivery in 2QFY16 - integrated into 3DOG software to enhance operational timeliness	Provides performance surfaces to support laser and camera imaging systems (AN/AQS, bathy lidar, AMNS, ALMDS), passive EO sensors, EO bathy systems, and diver operations (visibility/vulnerability)



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Milestone Chart

Tactical Ocean Display System (TODS)																
	FY13			FY14			FY15				FY16					
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
(1) Forecast Optical Properties (3D Biocast v1.0)	S		S	С	V	0		С	V	0						
<pre>(2) 3D Optical Generator (3DOG) w/ AQS-24 System Performance (EODESv1.0)</pre>						S	С	V	0			S	С	V	0	
(3) BioCast v2.0 Complete 3D Forecasts										S				S		
<pre>(4) Planned Exercises / Demonstrations</pre>			D _{TW}				D				\mathbf{D}_{e}	D _{miw?}				

1. **BioCast v1.0**: 100% complete, Software Upgrade / Bathygen Upgrade / updated VTR delivered 40FY14

2D Only

Delays due to needed operational software enhancements and improved automation, numerical stability

in coastal regions, additional evaluation and validation during Trident Warrior Q32013,

TP

acceptance delays, AOPS Transition, NAVO IT issues with transfer of satellite properties from low to

high side (HSG), and Bathygen upgrade to subsection bathy databases for memory compliance (<2G).

2. **3DOG v1.0**: 80% complete, Planned Transition w/ VTR Q2FY16.



Modeling, Sensing and Forecasting Ocean Optical Products for Navy Systems- TODS FY14-15 Transition Plan Summary



• TRANSITION APPROVAL STATUS:

1. FY14 TP approved, FY15 Addendum approved by NAVO, PMW120, CNMOC and OPNAV.

• <u>INPUTS</u>

- 1. AOPS derived satellite ocean color imagery (MODIS-Aqua, SNPP VIIRS, GOCI and future Sentinel 3A, GOCI2, SGLI, JPSS1 VIIRS)
- 2. Insitu physical and optical data (quality controlled) from gliders and BSP/AEP
- 3. Bathymetry grid that matches Satellite grid (Bathygen)
- 4. Regional Numerical models (RELO-NCOM, HYCOM)
- **OUTPUTS / PRODUCTS:** Outputs from these transitions will advance and deliver near real time high resolution fused and integrated optical oceanographic products which can be used to support a variety of Navy missions, especially MIW:
 - 1. A 2D/3D forecast of coastal ocean optical properties for the performance surfaces to support camera and laser imaging systems (AN/AQS 20/24, AMNS, ALMDS),
 - 2. Swimmer/target performance surfaces (visibility and vulnerability, and
 - 3. A performance surface for deployment of active and passive EO bathymetry systems (e.g. CHARTS)

ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA:

- 1. Evaluation at NRL with resulting VTR acceptance at NAVO and pass NAVO OPTEST with NRL validation and evaluation preferably during fleet exercises. If fleet exercise not available, then data from coastal Navy science exercises will be substituted.
- 2. VTR will include validation using glider data with TOD's outputs and Navy fleet system outputs (ex. AQS snippets) when available.
- 3. Successful OPEVAL at NAVO that will involve installation and testing the transitioned software on NAVO systems for a 2 month period.

• OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS

- 1. 2 months for OPEVAL and training will be required.
- 2. 1 FTE will be required to run operationally after transition.



Modeling, Sensing and Forecasting Ocean Optical Products for Navy Systems- TODS IMPACT of Possible FY16 Funding Termination



- The full capability of the TODS' system to provide real-time/forecast 3D optical products (with subsurface optical layer information) and diver and laser system performance to MIW operations and mission planning cannot be completed by the end of FY15.
- Only the surface optical forecasting capability can be completed.
- Impacts of FY16 funding cut:
 - No real-time (3DOG) and forecast 3D (BioCast v2.0) optical capability (water clarity, diver and SDV visibility /vulnerability and laser system performance) to support MIW mission planning and operations (detection, identification and clearing).
 - MIW Fleet operational impacts: loss in needed mission planning affecting time to complete clearing, a decrease in identification efficiency and an increase in asset and personnel risk.
 - Loss of talented NRL/contractor personnel familiar with the TODS system and software to other projects or new jobs and not available in FY16/17, loss of continuity on project requiring training of new personnel which would increase timelines and total cost to complete transition of TODS 3D optical forecasting capability.



Modeling, Sensing and Forecasting Ocean Optical Products for Navy Systems- TODS Discussion Outline

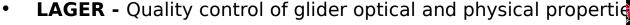


- TODS' Component Overview
 - BioCast, 3D Optical Volume, AN/AQS System Performance, Diver Visibility/Ops
- BioCast v1.0 Transition Status
- FY14/15 Software Updates
 - Bathygen
 - Optical Forecast BioCast v1.0
 - 3D Optical Generator v1.0
- 3DOG v1.0 Validation
 - Trident Warrior 2013
- Exercise Plans
- Summary
- Future Plans



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TODS Components Overview

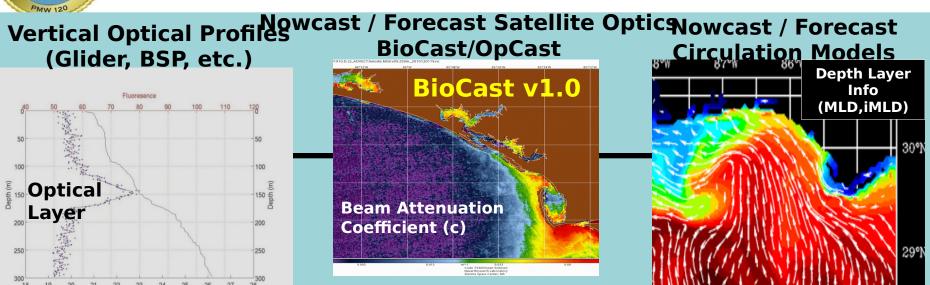


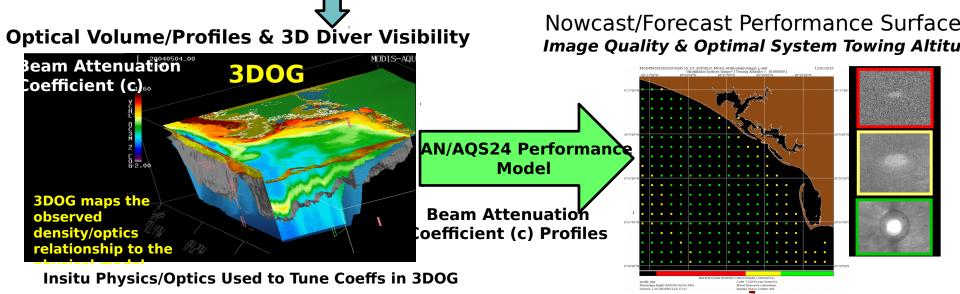
- Deployment, Processing and data QC and analysis (**Transitioned**)
- DISPLAY Real-time product display capability
 - Merging satellite and model products, insitu/glider locations and forecast (BioCast) and 3D (3DOG) outputs (**Transitioned** / Required upgrade in FY16 see 1498 Requested by Peter Flynn NP31 Watchfloor)

Glider Track

- BioCast v1 3D optical forecasting with surface 2D output (Homogeneous 3D Volume -Satellite Surface Value Extended Vertically)
 - Coupling Satellite optics and models (**Transitioned/ in OPTEST**)
- **BioCast v2** Complete 3D Optical Forecasting with 3D output (3D volume Input w/ subsurface layer info)
- 3DOG 3D Optical Volume Generator
 - Fusion of Gliders, Satellites and Models
- **MIW Performance Surfaces** (Laser Performance -> more efficient planning and reduced clearance time, Diver Visibility -> re-acquisition/id missions)
 - Linking the 3D optics with the AN/AQS 20/24 and Diver Operations
 Capability to support the HM Squadron's AN/AQS 20/24 and Diver

Numerical Models to support AQS24 Operations efining the optical environment for Navy Systems.

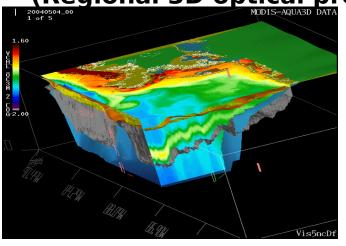




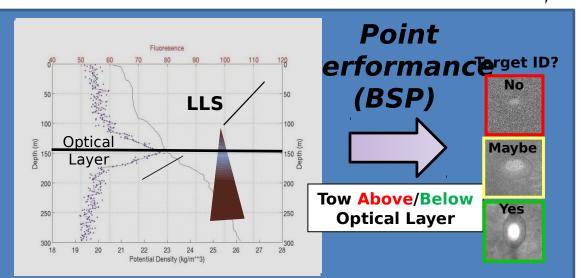
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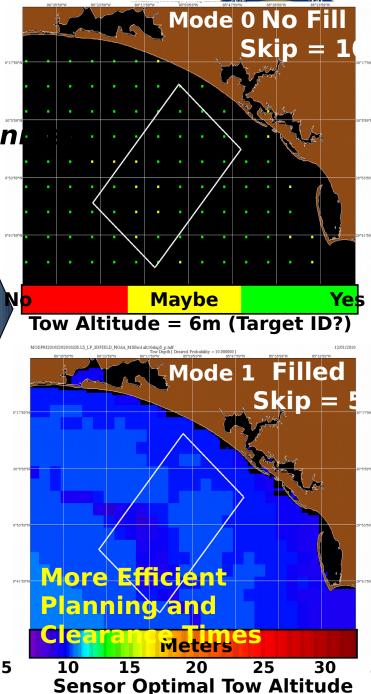
3DOG/BioCast - **Enhanced R**egional I Forecasting of the Operational Environ

(Regional 3D optical profile grid)



Regional Laser Imaging Performance Surfaces





Transition of BioCast for Optical recasting (Surface Only) - Version



BioCast VTR

- Capability to forecast surface bio-optical properties in support of shallow water Mine Warfare Operations (diver, laser imaging system performance – AN/AQS 20/24, lidar penetration depth and water clarity)
- Delivered Upgrade / User's Manual to NAVO (4QFY14)
- NAVO final VTR acceptance
- OPTEST started Q1FY15 and ongoing for 2 regions (Pohang Korea and Central Persian Gulf)
- Validation of OPTEST results completion by Q3FY15

VTR Highlights:

- 27 pages
- Test Case 1: Optical forecast validation in Miss Bight (Dec 2011- Oct 2012) with comparisons to OpCast v2.0 (2D advection)
- Results show BioCast had better error distributions
- Test Cast 2: Optical forecast (24 Hr) validation during Trident Warrior 2013.
- Results show forecast better than persistence.

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Validation Test Report for the BioCast Optical Forecast Model Version 1.0

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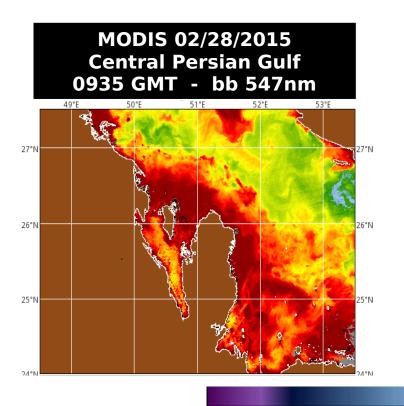


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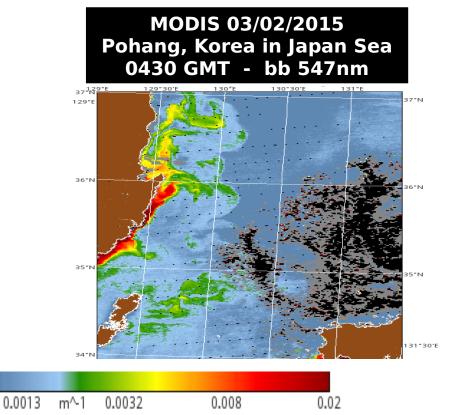


- BioCast daily 24/48 hour forecast for 3 month period (ongoing)
- Evaluate 24/48 hour forecasts using next day's image for 3 consecutive clear days and compare to persistence
- Submit report to NAVO for review/acceptance

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Modeling, Sensing and Forecasting Ocean Optical Products for Navy Systems- TODS FY14/15 Software Updates



<u>Bathygen</u>

 Modified software to subsample GEBCO database for memory usage reduction < 2GB for NAVO system and increased speed by a factor of @20x

<u>Optical Forecast - BioCast v1.0</u>

- Improved coastal numerical stability
- Fixed issues due to handle anomalies in bathymetry database
- Fixed issues with land/water boundary
- Additional validation during Trident warrior (July 2013)
- Upgrade delivered and VTR approved Q4FY14; OPTEST started Q1FY15 and is ongoing

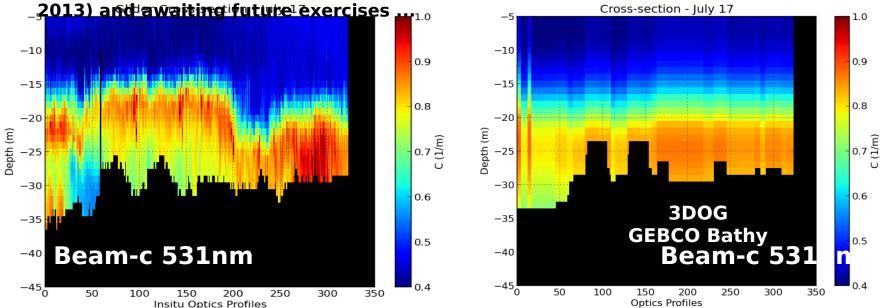
3D Optical Generator v1.0

- Software modifications (scripting, Sed, Python and IDL) for end-to-end automated processing (glider file processing and QC, satellite pixel extractions, Gaussian model coefficient optimization, profile plots, 3D model run – 3D volume)
- Implemented methods to fully automate thinning of glider profiles during the optimization process using optimization statistics for optimal operational timeliness (visually handpicking profiles is tedious, time consuming and not repeatable)
- Implemented and tested a capability to automatically exclude bad glider profiles during the satellite extraction process
- Implemented options to allow user to select predetermined coefficients and skip the glider optimization in cases where no glider assets are deployed or coefficients previously determined
- Implemented new evolutionary solver optimization toolkit improved accuracy and speed
- Laser performance model integrated into 3DOG for faster production of laser performance surfaces
- Started documenting steps/processes from start to end (User's Manual) and VTR
- Continued testing and validation is ongoing and requires additional validation requested by

DOG Validation - Trident Warrior 13 - July 17, 201

- **Validation Results**
- Numerous software improvements to operationalize code for enhanced automation and operational efficiency (auto glider QC, optimization, satellite extraction, 3D model)
- An optical (beam attenuation 531nm) layer is observed in glider and 3DOG profiles near bottom.
- The relationship between the observed and modeled optical fields is dependent on the fidelity of the physical model to the observations.
- Differences between observed and predicted possibly due to vertical resolution (5-10m bins > 10m) not capturing fine scale details in observations, MLD selection and bottom turbulence/sediment resuspension.
- Observations span 24 hours whereas satellite and model are coincident/static (time of satellite overpass) in 3DOG.

Currently evaluating all Trident Warrior datasets for 3 clear satellite days (July 17-19,





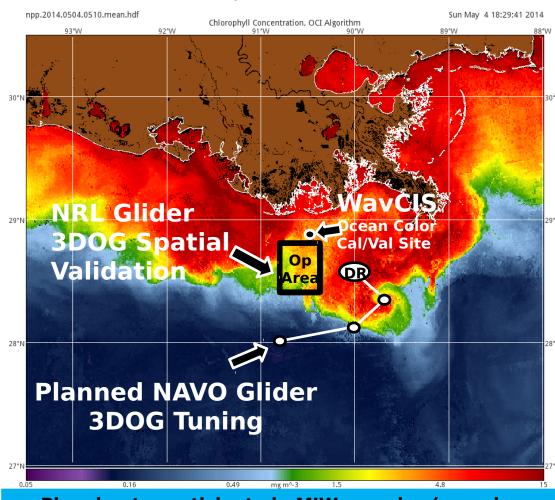
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Exercise/Validation Plans - Northern Gulf of

Mexico

1 Plume-Case: Physical/Optical Consequences of River Plumes over the



- Planning to participate in MIW exercise (none in last 3 years)
- Need to deploy multiple optics gliders for spatial

6-21 June 2015: R/V Pelican

4 Mooring Sites

ADCP's

Wave/Tide

Optical Mooring / IOP's
High Resolution Temperature

DO (mini T/DO data-loggers)

Towed Platform

ScanFish: CTD, AC-9, BB3, FL

Gliders:

NRL Optics Glider - IOP's/CTD Planned NAVO Optics Glider - I

CTD

Glider w/ Microstructure Package - CTD, Turb. Microstructrue

Station Sampling:

HyperPro - AOP's, Irrad Optics Package, IOP's CTD, DO, FL

Fine-Scale Turbulence:

Wire Walker:

Turbulence Microstructure Profile Turbulent Kinetic Energy Dissipat

+ Underway Measurements



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- BioCast v1.0 transition complete and currently going through OPTEST at NAVO. Validation of 24hr forecast outputs for two regions once OPTEST complete.
- Numerous software upgrades to improve BioCast v1.0,
 Bathygen and 3DOG v1.0 operational efficiency with full automation optimization, satellite extraction, auto selection, thinning and QC of profiles for optimization.
- 3DOG validation ongoing (Northern GOMEX 6.1 buoyancy plume research and possible future Navy exercise)
- Need additional research leveraged and Navy exercises (NAVO request) for 3DOG validation/VTR: data collected by multiple gliders for spatial uncertainty. Will work closely with NAVO to find opportunities. In the past three years the opportunity to validate TODS' components in Navy exercises has been non-existant.
- No additional transitions expected in FY15 due to funding cut (<20% FTE) and loss of recently trained personnel familiar with project/software to other projects/support.
- This projects goal is to depict the real-time and predict the

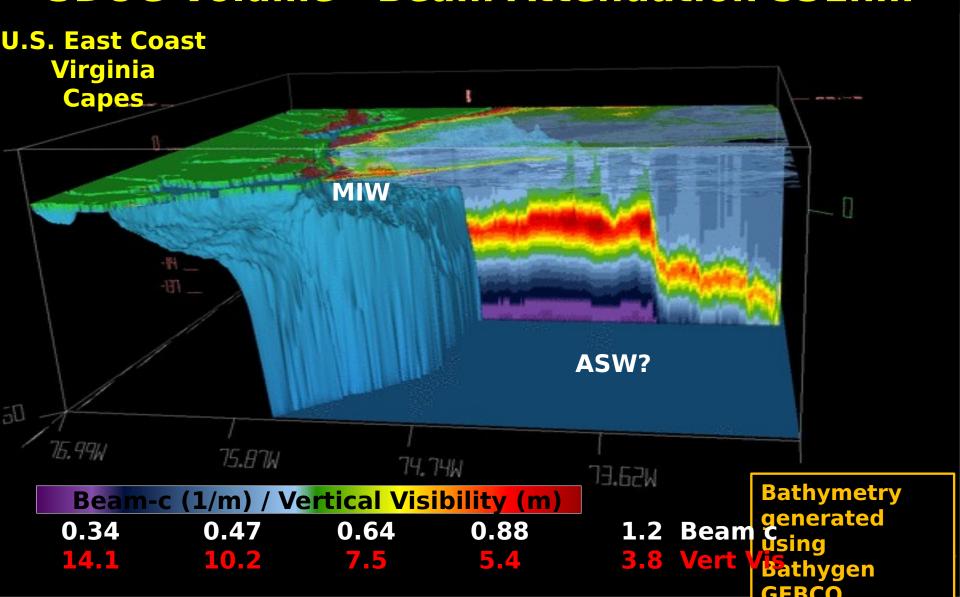


Modeling, Sensing and Forecasting Ocean Optical Products for Navy Systems- TODS Future Plans and Transitions



- Significant FY15 reductions (@78% from FY14) in TODS project and delays with FY14 transitions will push most development milestones and remaining transitions into FY16+ (See FY16 transition plan Addendum -Updated March 2015)
- 3D Optical Generator (3DOG) v1.0 with current planned delivery in Q2FY16 will provide nowcast 3D optical environment.
- BioCast v2.0 with current planned delivery in Q2FY17 will provide a full 3D optical forecasting capability using the nowcast 3D optical volumes from 3DOG v1.0 (containing modeled subsurface optical information including surface buoyancy, mid column (mixed layer) biology and nephloid sediment layers) as input including new enhanced 3D initialization volume upgrade.
- In FY17 we will evaluate the use of 3D optical nowcast and forecast for support of ASW vulnerability performance surfaces.
- BioCast v3.0 currently scheduled for transition in FY18 will include upgrades from NRL's Base 6.2 research project (PI: Jason Jolliff) starting Q1FY16: 1) Addition of new bottom layer optics / sedimentation and resuspension processes model, 2) operational software enhancements

Trident Warrior 2013 July 17, 2013 3DOG Volume - Beam Attenuation 531nm



Transition of BioCast for Optical recasting (Surface Only) - Version



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TODS BioCast User Manual

Forecasting 3D Satellite Derived Optical Properties Using Eulerian Advection Procedure

Version 1.0

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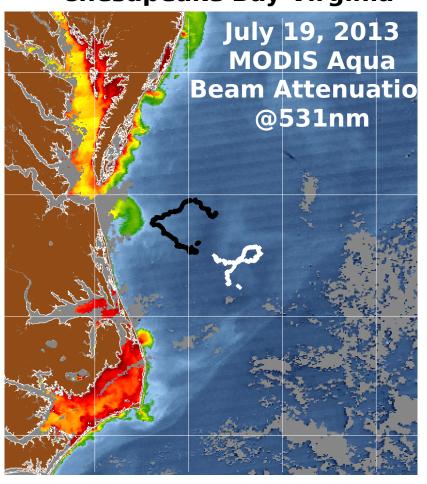
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Trident Warrior July 2013 2D/3D Underwater Optics Forecast

U.S. East Coast Chesapeake Bay Virginia



OBJECTIVES:

- 1. Produce 3D optical distributions for the exercise area:
 - Couple surface satellite ocean color imagery with glider data, model results (MLD depth, intensity) - 3D Optical Generator (3DOG).
 - Deploy gliders to tune vertical coefficients in 3D optical model.
 - Evaluate 3DOG software operationally.
 - Validate 3DOG Optical Volumes (VTR).
- 2. Forecast short-term surface optical distributions:
 - Run and evaluate BIOCAST

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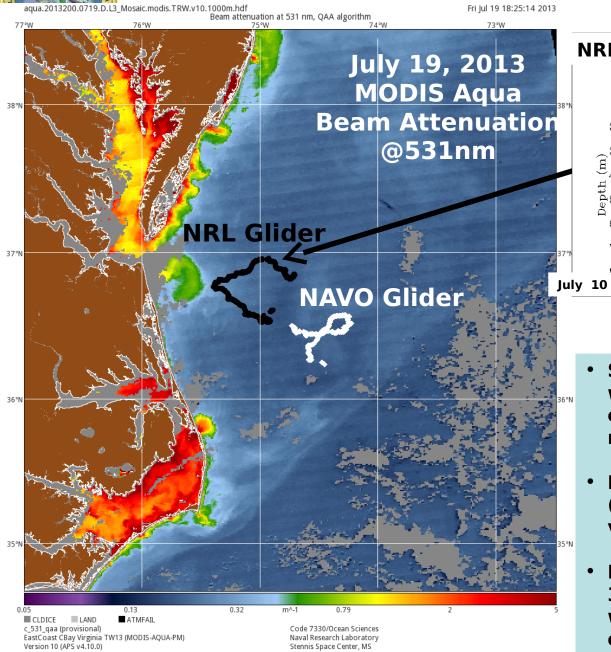
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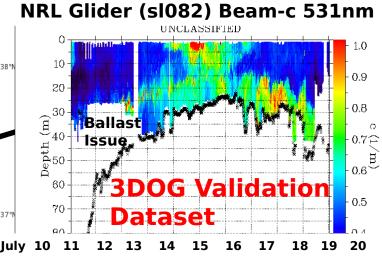
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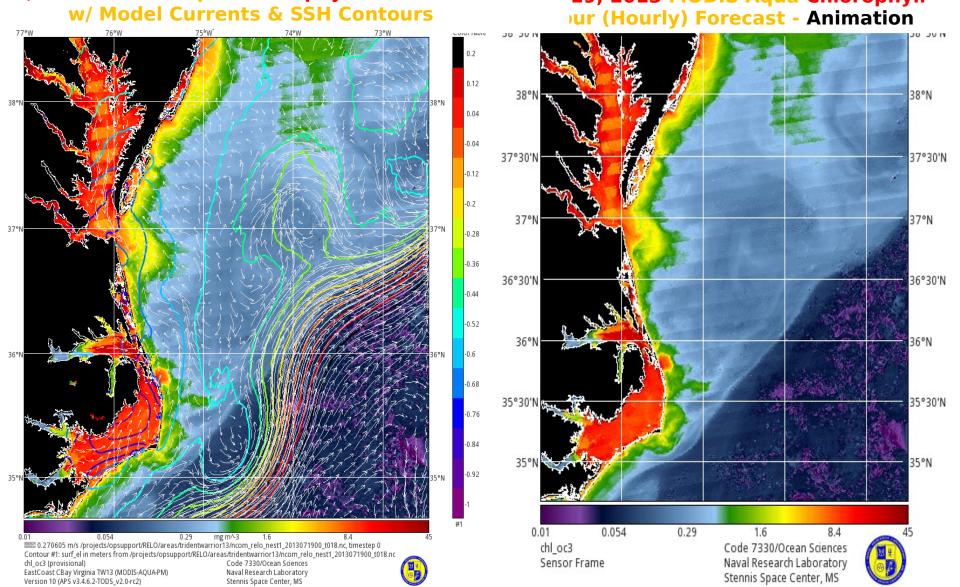


- Selected optical profiles (20) were used to generate/tune coefficients for 3D optical model
- Non-selected optical profiles (330) are being used for validation
- NAVO glider omitted from 3DOG evaluation due to issue with elevated optics in deep ocean.



Forecasting Surface Bio-Optical Properties
Trident Warrior 13 Merging Satellite Bio-Optical
Properties and Modeled Currents - BIOCAST v1.0

19, 2013 MODIS Aqua Chlorophyll Initialization Field 19, 2013 MODIS Aqua Chlorophyll







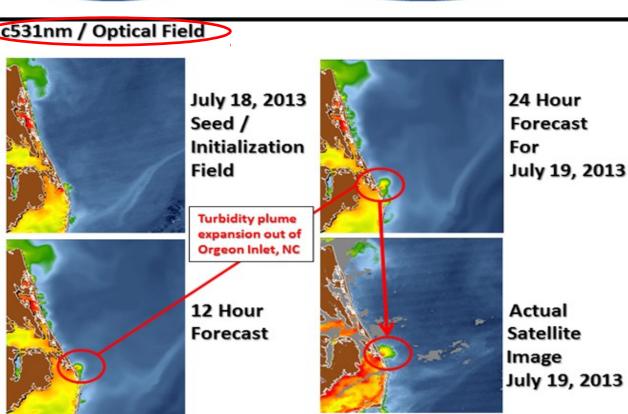
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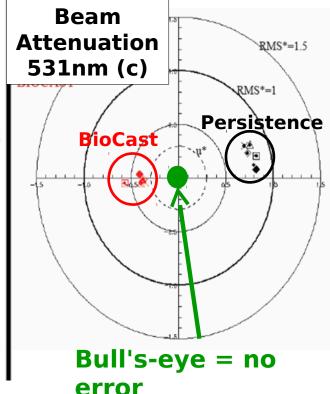
Trident Warrior - Chesapeake Bay, VA – July 18, 2013

Forecast Steps:

Seed the Model with Satellite Bio-Optical Products Advect Satellite
Properties forward
(hourly steps)
Conservative Tracers

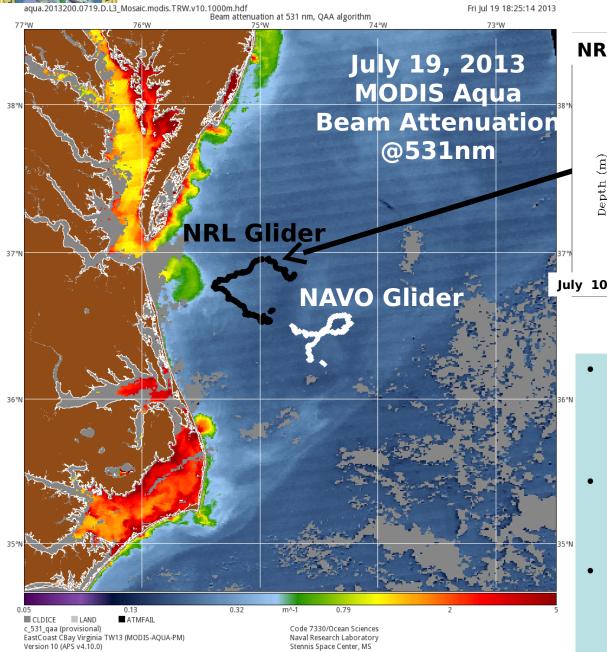
Compare with Next Days Satellite Bio-Optical Products

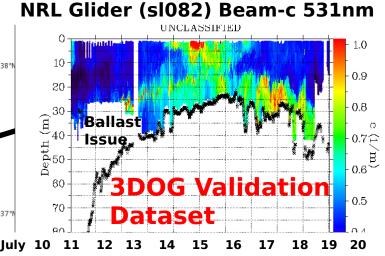




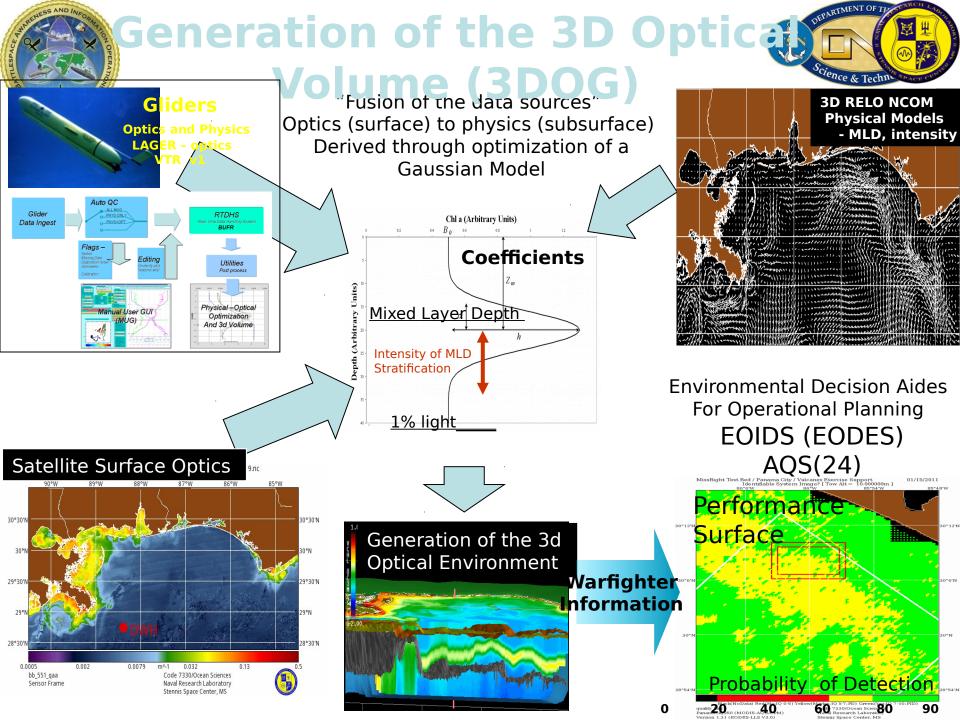
Statistical summary diagram compares 30-day latest pixel composites (persistence) against the next-day MODIS satellite product (black) and BIOCAST 24-hour forecast against the same next-day MODIS product (red). Statistics are generated from 60-days

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Trident Warrior - July 17, 2013

3DOG Predicted Beam Attenuation 531nm Profiles

Defining Regional Optical/Physical Relationship

BDOG Glider Optimization - Tuning Coefficient

